REMARKS

The claims were amended for clarification and to add that the compound identified in claim 1 can be in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable non-toxic salt, physiologically hydrolyzable ester, or isomer thereof, and the formula at the end of claim 8 could be in the form of its salt. Support for the change to claim 1 is found on page 14, lines 1 and 2, of the specification. Support for the change to claim 8 is found on page 22, lines 10 and 13, (regarding formula III) of the specification. The changes to claims 1 and 8 merely add standard language used in compound claims to cover standard variants of a compound. The addition does not necessitate a new search or constitute new matter.

Entry of this amendment is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202)508-9127 to discuss this amendment is necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

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